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January 28, 2001

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Invention:

A NEW PROCESS FOR RAPID AND HOMOGENEOUS

MIXING OF FLUIDS IN CONTINUOUS OPERATIONS

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09/283,198

Filed:

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**United States** 

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Fielder et al.

Examiner:

David L. Sorkin

Art Unit:

1723

Due Date:

February 3, 2001

David L. Sorkin
The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
WASHINGTON, D.C.
U.S.A. 20231

Dear David L. Sorkin,

I respectfully acknowledge receipt of office DETAILED ACTION dated December 11, 2000. Due to variety of reasons I received your detailed action very late, i.e. on Jan. 15, 2001. I am very sorry for the very late response and have enclosed the following documents for the response.

- 1. Revocation and appointment of another agent of representative
- 2. Continued Prosecution Application with a check of \$355.00 for it
- 3. Information Disclosure Statement
- 4. A response to the Advisory Action which amends Claim 23
- 5. Explanation for the references.

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## **CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)** REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

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This is a request for a Continuation or divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09 / 283,198 filed on 04/01/99 , entitled A New Process For Rapid and Homogeneous Mixing					
FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).  C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).  EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.					
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